

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-20. (Cancelled).

21. (Previously Presented) Water soluble packaging comprising:

- a) from 8 to 95% by weight of a modified starch preferably starch modified to include an hydroxyalkyl C₂₋₆ group or modified by reaction with an anhydride of a dicarboxylic acid;
- b) from 0 to 80% of starch; and
- c) from 0.5 to 20% by weight of a water soluble polymer selected from polyesters, polyvinylacetate, polyvinyl alcohol and copolymers of ethylene and vinylalcohol which have a melting point compatible with the molten state of the starch components.

22. (Previously Presented) The water soluble packaging of claim 21 further comprising:

- a) from 0 to 20% by weight of a polyol plasticizer;
- b) from 0 to 1.5% by weight of a C₁₂₋₂₂ fatty acid or salt; and
- c) from 0 to 15% by weight of added water.

23. (Previously Presented) The water soluble packaging of claim 21 wherein the packaging is a container.

24. (Previously Presented) The water soluble packaging of claim 23 wherein the container is rigid.

25. (Previously Presented) The water soluble packaging of claim 23 wherein the container is a sealed container.

26. (Previously Presented) The water soluble packaging of claim 23 wherein the packaging encloses a product.

27. (Previously Presented) The water soluble packaging of claim 26 wherein the product is a product used in the vicinity of aqueous medium.

28. (Previously Presented) The water soluble packaging of claim 27 wherein the product is a cleaning product.

29. (Previously Presented) The water soluble packaging of claim 27 wherein the product is a laundry, kitchen or bathroom cleaning product.

30. (Previously Presented) The water soluble packaging of claim 21 wherein the packaging is for use in at least partial contact with an aqueous medium.

31. (Previously Presented) The water soluble packaging of claim 30 wherein the packaging is for use in at least partial immersion in an aqueous medium.

32. (Previously Presented) The water soluble packaging of claim 30 wherein the product is delivered to the aqueous medium by dissolving at least part of the packaging.

33. (Previously Presented) The water soluble packaging of claim 32 wherein the product is delivered to the aqueous medium by dissolving all of the packaging.

34. (Previously Presented) The water soluble packaging of claim 21 wherein at least part of the packaging is coated with a water insoluble coating.

35. (Previously Presented) A packaged product comprising a product enclosed in packaging wherein at least part of the packaging is the water soluble packaging of claim 21.

36. (Previously Presented) The packaged product of claim 35 wherein the product is delivered to an aqueous medium by dissolving at least part of the packaging.

37. (Previously Presented) A process for forming water soluble packaging including the steps of:

- a) forming a mixture of the components of claim 21;
- b) working the mixture and forming a melt within the temperature range of 130°C to 160°C; and
- c) reducing the temperature and further working the mixture and then forming the packaging.

38. (Previously Presented) A process for forming water soluble packaging including the steps of:

- a) forming a mixture of the components of claim 22;
- b) working the mixture and forming a melt within the temperature range of 130°C to 160°C; and
- c) reducing the temperature and further working the mixture and then forming the packaging.

39. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 37 wherein the packaging is formed by thermoforming.

40. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 37 wherein the packaging is formed by extruding the mixture into a sheet and thermoforming the sheet.

41. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 37 wherein the packaging is formed by extrusion.

42. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 37 wherein the packaging is formed by injection moulding.

43. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 37 wherein the packaging is formed by blow moulding.
44. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 37 wherein the packaging is a container.
45. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 44 wherein the container is a rigid container.
46. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 44 wherein the container is a sealed container.
47. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 37 wherein the packaging comprises a film.
48. (Previously Presented) A process for the manufacture of a packaged product comprising the steps of:
- a) forming packaging according to the process of claim 37;
 - b) at least partially filling the packaging with the product; and
 - c) closing the packaging.
49. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 48 wherein the packaging is closed by hot or cold sealing.
50. (Previously Presented) A process for exposing a product to aqueous medium by locating a packaged product formed by the process of claim 48 in the vicinity of an aqueous medium such that the aqueous medium dissolves at least part of the packaging.
51. (New) A package comprising a backing sheet adhered to a blister in which at least one or both of the backing sheet and the blister is made from the transparent water soluble packaging of claim 21.